July 16, 1968

The regular meeting of the City Council was held in the Municipal Court Room on July 16, 1968 at 7:30 P.M. with Mayor Flanary presiding.

Present: V.O. Flanary, C.W. Bryant, G.E. Hunnicutt, S.H. Neeley

Also Present: Councilman elect Bill Stallard, Leslie Mullins & Robert Stump, Attorneys

Absent: R.L. Collins

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

David Emershaw appeared before Council regarding ponies being kept in City. #4452 Jack McElroy and W.H. Gilly also spoke as neighbors that they know of no objections in said neighborhood as to ponies being kept in the City. After discussion Council agreed to have matter investigated before any action is taken.

Highway Safety Legislation tabled to later date.

#4453

Council discussed Housing Development.

#4454

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that representatives of both the Norton Redevelopment and Housing Authority and the Norton Industrial Development Authority be notified, as well as City Council, that we explore Appalachian 207 Housing Project. It is the intention of Council that one of the other or both Authorities be the device by which the City will enter into said Project. Said representatives to be notified of meeting, Tuesday Night, July 23, 1968.

Council discussed Community College.

#4455

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by C.W. Bryant and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council moved that resolution passed on August 16, 1966 be reaffirmed.

Mayor Flanary advised Council of street markings in City of Norton.

#4456

Attorney Mullins brought to Council's attention markings of crosswalks #4457 and of the safety hazard of the crosswalk at the Swimming Pool. After discussion and on motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by C.W. Bryant and carried by unanimous vote, the Chief of Police was intructed to work out better safety arrangements with Director of Recreation.

Mayor Flanary discussed briefly street markings on East Park Avenue.

#4458

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by C.W. Bryant and carried by unanimous #4459 **nte, Council moved that Mr. Bruce Fraley be appointed as member of Norton Industrial Development Authority to fill the unexpired term of Virgil Grow, said term to expire January 1, 1972.

On motion by C.W. Bryant, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous roll call vote, Council approved recommendation of Mr. Norman for street light to #4460 be installed on Liberty Avenue near Mefford Residence.

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous #4461 roll call vote, Council authorized execution of Highway Utility Agreement on Kentucky Avenue.

Paving Bids were presented to Council for their consideration. Adams #4462 Construction Co. - unable to make an off at this time; White Excavating Co. - \$16,162.10; Big Stone Asphalt - \$16,245.47. Matter tabled.

Mayor Flanary announced that Mr. Evan Norton had accepted position of City Manager of City of Norton beginning August 15, 1968.

#4463

#4464 Lillian Artrip presented to Council petition of citizens between 11th and 12th Street, S.W., requesting something to be done about drainage problems and dust problems. After discussion, Council advised Mrs. Artrip this matter would be checked into.

On motion by S.H. Neeley, seconded by G.E. Hunnicutt and carried **#4465** by unanimous vote, the following resolution regarding Mr. Norman was passed: WHEREAS, it appearing that David B. Norman has resigned as the City Manager of the City of Norton, Virginia, after three years of effective, efficient and competent service to the citizens, Council and all persons connected with the City of Norton; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, desires to commend and thank David B. Norman in his endeavors and hard work as City Manager towards making the City of Norton a more progressive and better place to live; and the said City Council further desires to commend the said David B. Norman for his tedious efforts, among others, in preparing the City Budget, receiving public complaints, keeping the City Council informed, administrating the employees, affairs and overwall general tasks of the City of Norton; and that his services will be missed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Norton, Virginia, that David B. Norman is hereby and herewith thanked and commended for his three years of service as City Manager to the City of Norton, Virginia.

It is further RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Coalfield Progress of the City of Norton for publication, and that a copy be sent to David Norman, Assistant City Manager, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Mayor Flanary presented to Council request of certain City Employees regarding salaries.

#4466

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote, Council requested the cooperation of all City Employees until such time as new City Manager takes over.

On motion by G.E. Hunnicutt, seconded by S.H. Neeley and carried by unanimous vote, Council moved that Mr. Bill Stallard be appointed acting City Manager until August 15, 1968.

#4467

Mayor Flanary gave report on Flag Rock.

#4468

Council requested a complete accounting of all expenses, work, hours, 4 #4469 equipment, etc. of Flag Rock Project and of Rescue Squad. Said report to be presented to Council at next regular meeting.

Mayor Flanary advised Council that timber cutting was almost finished and that Mr. Gabbert of Forest Service should be contacted for inspection. *#*4470

There being no further business to come before Council, same adjourned.

Mayor